



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yuji YASUI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2862

Application No.: 10/697,796

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For: A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR ESTIMATING AN AMOUNT OF DRAWN AIR OF A CYLINDER OF AN INTERNAL-COMBUSTION ENGINE AND A METHOD AND AN APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING THE AMOUNT

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 30, 2004

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the application, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This Preliminary Amendment complies with the amendment format as set forth in 68 Fed. Reg. 38611 dated June 30, 2003.

**Amendments to the specification are submitted on page 2.**

**Remarks are submitted on page 3.**